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TOWN OFFICERS

Moderator, Donald W. Hopkins.

Town Clerk, George R. Blanchard.

Treasurer, Lucy A. Brooks.

Selectmen, Elmer W. Holt, Hobart M. Adams, George F. Shea.

Collector of Taxes, Annie Blanchard.

Trustees of Trust Funds, Donald W. Hopkins, Hobart M. Adams, Frank S. Gage.

Library Trustees, Jarvis M. Adams, Edythe H. Atherton, Marjorie K. Johnson.

Supervisors of Checklist, Charles P. Hopkins, Marjorie L. Aiken, Frank S. Gage.

Road Agent, Dean P. Russell.

Fire Chief, Charles P. Hopkins.

Chief of Police, Philip E. Magoon.

Forest Fire Warden, Perley Blanchard.

Overseer of Poor, Blanche L. Gage.

Auditors, Angie Russell, Emma H. Hopkins.

Health Officer, Philip E. Magoon.

Surveyor of Wood and Lumber, Frank Muzzey.

Dog Officer, George S. Proctor.

Special Police Officer, Albert Knudsen.

TOWN WARRANT

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the inhabitants of the Town of Greenfield in the County of Hillsboro in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at Town Hall in said Greenfield on Tuesday, the 9th day of March, next at ten of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

Art. 1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

Art. 2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations of the same.

Art. 3. To choose one or more and not more than three highway agents for the ensuing year.

Art. 4. To hear reports of Selectmen, Road Agents, Treasurer, Overseer of the Poor, Library Trustees, and any other Town Officials, and take any action relative thereto.

Art. 5. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for repairs of highways and bridges, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,000.00 for snow removal, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 7. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of Public Library, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 8. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for Memorial Day, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 9. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to hire a sum of money to pay Town debts, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 10 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$58.00 for the Monadnock Region Association, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$873.00 to be expended on Forest Road. The State will contribute \$1,746.00, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$27,310.00 with interest over a period of years for payment of temporary financing made by the Board of Selectmen for repairs and alterations to the Town Hall ordered by vote of Town Meeting on March 11, 1947, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 13. To see if the Town will vote to rescind the vote of 1947 pertaining to raising \$1,000.00 yearly for repairs on the Town Hall, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,310.00 and interest for the 1948 payment on temporary loans for repairs on Town Hall, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 15. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate annually for payment on loans made for repairs on Town Hall or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$750.00 for the painting of Town Hall, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 17. To see if the Town will vote to allow two per cent discount on all property taxes paid on or before August 15, 1948, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$400.00 for control of White Pine Blister in cooperation with State Forestry Department, thereby receiving the usual State aid or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$250.00 for a fire well for the protection of Fitts and McQuade properties, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 20. To transact any other business that can legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this 23rd day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and forty-eight.

ELMER W. HOLT
HOBART M. ADAMS
GEORGE F. SHEA
Selectmen of Greenfield

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

ELMER W. HOLT
HOBART M. ADAMS
GEORGE F. SHEA
Selectmen of Greenfield

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF GREENFIELD, N. H.

Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the Ensuing Year January 1, 1948 to December 31, 1948, Compared with Estimated and Actual Revenue, Appropriations and Expenditures of the Previous Year January 1, 1947 to December 31, 1947.

SOURCES OF REVENUE	Estimated Revenue Previous Year 1947	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1947	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1948
From State:			
Interest and Dividends Tax	\$1,060 06	\$1,172 21	\$1,172 21
Railroad Tax	241 43	254 40	254 40
Savings Bank Tax	162 69	158 07	158 07
For Fighting Forest Fires	21 14	79 58	75 00
Town Road Aid		303 20	
From Local Sources Except Taxes:			
Rent of Town Hall & Other Bldgs.	50 00	45 00	50 00
Income of Departments:			
(a) Highway, incl. rental of equip.	1,000 00	923 80	1,000 00
Scales	5 00	7 70	5 00
Bounties		64 50	
Sportsman Club (Wood)		8 00	
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	455 86	742 63	745 00
Town Hall Furnace		1 50	
Sale of Town Property		500 00	
Merrill Johnson (Lumber)		22 05	
4 Histories		1 00	
Plowing Driveways		154 25	
State Highway (Gravel)		43 85	
Brantwood Camp Road		50 00	
Returned from 1946 Road Agent		68 18	
Amount Raised by Issue of Bonds or Notes:			
Temporary Note	10,000 00	10,000 00	10,000 00
Town Hall Note		27,310 00	2,000 00
Cash Surplus	2,521 34	3,021 34	

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF GREENFIELD, N. H.

SOURCES OF REVENUE	Estimated Revenue Previous Year 1947	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1947	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1948
From Local Taxes Other Than Property Taxes:			
(a) Poll Taxes—Regular at \$2.00	420 00	408 00	430 00
(b) National Bank Stock Taxes	4 20	4 20	4 20
Spec. Polls at \$3.00		15 00	
Dog Taxes	175 60	157 50	150 00
Total Revenues From All Sources Except Property Taxes	\$16,117 02	\$45,515 96	\$16,043 88
Amount to be Raised by Property Taxes	\$16,555 72	\$18,237 53	\$15,987 62
Total Revenues	\$32,672 74	\$63,753 49	\$32,031 50

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF GREENFIELD, N. H.

PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES	Appropriations Previous Year 1947	Actual Expenditures Previous Year 1947	Estimated Expenditures Ensuing Year 1948
Current Maintenance Expenses:			
General Government:			
Town Officers' Salaries	\$920 50	\$869 00	\$920 50
Town Officers' Expenses	400 00	504 65	500 00
Election and Registration Expenses	6 25	6 25	50 00
Repairs on Town Hall		27,310 31	2,000 00
Expenses Town Hall and Other			
Town Buildings	300 00	442 92	500 00
Repairs on Engine Hall	185 00	376 07	
Protection of Persons and Property:			
Police Department	125 00	120 83	125 00
Fire Department	450 00	615 02	600 00
Bounties	65 00	108 50	70 00
Health:			
Vital Statistics	13 50	13 00	13 00
Town Dump	75 00	95 50	100 00
Highways and Bridges:			
Town Maintenance—Summer	3,000 00	3,191 89	3,000 00
Town Maintenance—Winter	3,000 00	2,990 89	3,000 00
Street Lighting	768 00	845 21	850 00
General Exp. of Highway Dept.	547 00	859 15	500 00
Libraries	405 00	405 00	200 00
Public Welfare:			
County Poor		5 00	
Town Poor	75 00	103 50	150 00
Old Age Assistance	250 00	289 50	350 00
Patriotic Purposes:			
Memorial Day & Veterans' Assn.	75 00	58 15	60 00

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF GREENFIELD, N. H.

PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES	Appropriations Previous Year 1947	Actual Expenditures Previous Year 1947	Estimated Expenditures Ensuing Year 1948
Recreation:			
Parks and Playgrounds, incl. band concerts	125 00	36 95	125 00
Public Service Enterprises:			
Cemeteries	75 00	220 14	225 00
Markets and Public Scales		47 00	50 00
Unclassified:			
Taxes bought by Town	25 00	6 72	25 00
Advertising & Regional Assn.	57 00	57 00	57 00
Interest:			
On Temporary Loans	100 00	244 69	200 00
On Long Term Notes		183 96	500 00
Outlay for New Construction and Perm. Improve.			
Highways and Bridges:			
Money Spent out of Rent of Truck		900 27	
State Aid Construction—			
Town's Share	864 00	861 00	861 00
Markers for Cemetery	50 00		
Public Beach Zephyr Lake	200 00		
New Equipment	1,220 00	440 46	900 00
Indebtedness:			
Payment on Principal of Debt:			
(b) Short Term Notes	7,000 00	6,000 00	6,000 00
Payments to Other Gov. Div.:			
County Taxes	2,656 83	3,124 50	3,100 00
Payments to School Districts	6,568 00	9,123 60	7,000 00
Total Expenditures	\$29,601 08	\$60,456 63	\$32,031 50

INVENTORY OF TOWN FOR 1947

Land, Buildings, Wood and Lumber	\$446,708 00	
Electric Utilities	22,645 00	
Horses, 29	3,775 00	
Cows, 111	19,930 00	
Neat Stock, 11	1,155 00	
Fowls, 7,580	9,274 00	
Portable Mills, 2	1,400 00	
Gasoline Pumps and Tanks, 15	1,520 00	
Stock in Trade	70,000 00	
Mills and Machinery	28,900 00	
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		\$605,307 00

Soldiers' Exemptions	\$12,025 00
Other Exemptions	9,500 00
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	\$21,525 00

Amount from which tax rate is figured, \$583,782.00

Polls, 216

National Bank Stock taxes 5 shares.

APPROPRIATIONS FOR 1947

To defray town charges (including snow roads)	\$4,500 00	
Highways and bridges (Summer roads)	3,000 00	
Public Library	200 00	
Memorial Day	75 00	
Monadnock Region	57 00	
Class II Roads	861 00	
Public Beach, Zephyr Lake	200 00	
New Pump for Fire Dept.	320 00	
New heater for Library	205 00	
Perpetual Care Markers for Cemetery	50 00	
Repairs on Town Hall	1,000 00	
3rd Payment on Town Truck	990 00	
County Tax	3,055 50	
Schools	6,900 00	
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Total Appropriations		\$21,413 50

Assessed on Property	\$18,797 78	
Poll Taxes	432 00	
National Bank Stock Tax	4 20	
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Total Tax		\$19,233 98

Tax Rate \$3.22 per \$100.00.

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Town Hall land and buildings	\$40,000 00	
Town Hall furniture and equipment	2,000 00	
Library land and building	10,000 00	
Library furniture and equipment	2,500 00	
Police Dept., land and building	100 00	
Fire Dept., land and building	5,000 00	
Fire Dept., equipment	5,500 00	
Highway Dept., land and building	2,500 00	
Highway Dept., equipment	7,000 00	
School land and building	20,000 00	
Parks and Common	1,000 00	
Greenvale Cemetery and land	2,000 00	
Mrs. D. M. White land	100 00	
L. J. Whitefield land	800 00	
Burnham lot	150 00	
Leroy Hopkins lot	50 00	
	<hr/>	\$98,700 00

ASSETS

Cash in hands of treasurer, Dec. 31, 1947	\$2,796 86	
Cash in hands of Road Agent, Dec. 31, 1947	500 00	
State of N. H. Joint Highway Const. Accts. Class V	101 58	
Drive and Public Beach, Zephyr Lake	200 00	
Markers for lots in cemetery	50 00	
Joint Highway Accts. in State Treasury Class II	3,540 48	
Unredeemed Taxes, Levy of 1946	6 72	
Uncollected Taxes:		
Levy of 1947	1,677 86	
Levy of 1946	26 00	
Levy of 1945	20 00	
Bounties	108 50	
	<hr/>	\$9,028 00

LIABILITIES

Special Poll taxes due State	\$12 00	
Dog licenses due school district	157 50	
Road Agents unexpended balance	500 00	
Capital Reserve Fund	351 58	
Souhegan Nat'l Bank, Temporary Note	4,000 00	
Congregational Church, note	1,192 00	
Souhegan National Bank, Long Term Note, Repairs on Town Hall	27,310 00	
	<hr/>	\$37,063 56

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand, Jan. 1, 1947	\$2,521 34	
Taxes	18,664 73	
For Class V highway maintenance	303 20	
Interest and dividend tax	1,172 21	
Railroad tax	254 40	
Savings bank tax	158 07	
Fighting forest fires (Gene Sumner's & Burke's)	79 58	
Bounties	64 50	
Dog licenses	157 50	
Rent of town hall	45 00	
Rent of town truck (State of N. H.)	923 80	
Auto Permits	742 63	
Sportsman Club (for wood)	8 00	
Use of Scales	7 70	
Town hall furnace	1 50	
Souhegan National Bank, Temporary loan	10,000 00	
Souhegan Nat'l Bank, long term note	27,310 00	
Wooden Ware Corp. (Thompson lumber lot)	500 00	
Merrill Johnson (Lumber)	22 05	
4 Histories	1 00	
Plowing driveways	154 25	
State Highway Dept. (Gravel)	43 85	
Brantwood Camp, Trustees (Repair. road)	50 00	
Money returned from Elwin Bailey (1946 agent)	68 18	
		\$63,253 49

PAYMENTS

TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES

Angie Russell, Auditor	\$10 00	
Emma Hopkins, Auditor	10 00	
George R. Blanchard, Clerk	35 00	
George R. Blanchard, Auto Permits	67 00	
Elmer W. Holt, Selectman	150 00	
Hobart M. Adams, Selectman	150 00	
George F. Shea, Selectman	150 00	
Annie Blanchard, Tax Collector	125 00	
Blanche L. Gage, Overseer of Poor	25 00	
George S. Proctor, Dog Officer	25 00	
Lucy A. Brooks, Treasurer	50 00	
Philip E. Magoon, Chief of Police	50 00	
Perley Blanchard, Fire Warden	12 00	
Philip E. Magoon, Health Officer	10 00	
		\$869 00

TOWN OFFICERS' EXPENSES

N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	\$32 34
Public Service Co.	13 12
Edson C. Eastman Co., supplies	39 38
N. H. Assessors' Association	2 00
George F. Shea, 2 trips to Peterborough	2 00
Elmer W. Holt, 1 trip to Manchester and postage	13 50
Hobart M. Adams, 1 trip to Manchester, 1 to Concord & postage	16 70
George F. Shea, 1 trip to Keene, 1 to Manchester & postage	15 00
Hills. Co. Reg. of Probate	30
Hills. Co. Reg. of Deeds & Transfers	17 75
Ruth Avery, Tax Collectors' dues	2 00
Steele's Bookstore, supplies	27
Chase's Stationery, repairing adding machine	17 50
Brown & Saltmarsh Inc., Inventories	10 20
Transcript Printing Co., Town Reports	163 20
John Bellows, Bonding town officers	45 00
Annie Blanchard, supplies & expenses	30 68
Transcript Printing Co., Collectors' notices	2 50
Hills. Co. Registry Deeds, Reg. 2 deeds	3 54
John C. Russell, 1/2 cord wood, Selectmen's room	8 00
Leon Cochran, labor on wood	50
Hobart M. Adams, 2 trips to Milford and postage	19 60
Charles R. Hardy, Town Clerk's dues	2 00
Harold D. Cheever, making new deed	5 00
Hopkins Bros. & Belcher, supplies	1 49
Blanche L. Gage, Tel. & postage	3 25
Philip E. Magoon, Tel. & postage	12 30
Lucy A. Brooks, Postage & supplies	10 00
George R. Blanchard, expenses	15 53

 \$504 65

FIRE DEPARTMENT

N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	\$42 00	
Public Service Co.	16 00	
Hafeli Fuel Co.	51 16	
John Bellows, Ins. on trucks	88 74	
John Bellows, Ins. on Firemen	113 75	
Forest Fire, Eugene Sumner	19 50	
Forest Fire, Burke	60 08	
Leon Cochran, shovelling reservoirs	29 20	
C. H. Cragin & Son, gas, oil & repairs	25 39	
Hopkins Bros. & Belcher, supplies	16 82	
Harvey Goodwin, work on fire-station doors	11 55	
Charles P. Hopkins, care of burner	100 00	
V. Richard Chambers, new equipment	40 83	
Charles P. Hopkins, new pumper	328 47	
Orvel B. Peirce Co., new heater	111 99	
		\$1,055 48

TOWN HALL EXPENSES

Public Service Co.	\$36 92	
Orvel B. Peirce Co., parts for sink	1 35	
Ervin Mann, Repairs on sink	2 50	
John Bellows, Ins. on town hall	295 74	
Hopkins Bros. & Belcher, supplies	9 05	
Draper Fuel Co.	54 06	
Albert Knudsen, cleaning stove & care of clock	20 30	
Leon Cochran, janitor service	18 00	
C. F. Stevens, janitor service	5 00	
		\$442 92

REPAIRS ON SELECTMEN'S ROOM & ENGINE HALL

Dean P. Russell, labor	\$2 50	
Hopkins Bros. & Belcher, new shades	22 10	
Charles Lauder, new ceiling, two rooms	175 00	
Charles Lauder, refinishing floors & sidewalls	176 47	
		\$376 07

TOWN MAINTENANCE OF ROADS
SNOW ROADS

Elwin Bailey, agent	\$1,578 76	
R. C. Hazelton Co., parts for plow	103 95	
George Magoon, sawing wood, tractor house	5 00	
Dean P. Russell, wood for tractor house	14 50	
Leon Cochran, labor on wood, tractor house	4 40	
Dean P. Russell, express charges on parts	1 33	
Hopkins Bros. & Belcher, gas & oil bill	3 25	
Dean P. Russell, agent	1,279 70	
	<hr/>	\$2,990 89

DIRT ROADS

Arthur Whitcomb, Elwin Bailey Agent,		
Tar patch in 1946	\$26 33	
Dean P. Russell, Agent	3,165 56	
	<hr/>	\$3,191 89

GENERAL EXPENSE OF HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Elwin Bailey, 4 tires	\$315 08	
Elwin Bailey, gas, oil & grease	23 84	
Hopkins Bros. & Belcher, gas & oil	23 97	
C. H. Cragin & Son, gas, oil & repairs	146 34	
John Bellows, Ins. on truck & tractors	99 92	
R. C. Hazelton Co. Inc., new rolls for tractor	250 00	
	<hr/>	\$859 15

ELECTION AND REGISTRATION

Ralph Russell, Ballot Insp., 1946	\$6 25
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POLICE DEPARTMENT

John C. Russell, wood	\$15 00	
Hopkins Bros. & Belcher, supplies	17 73	
Leon Cochran, care of tramps	37 40	
Philip Magoon, extra police duty	30 00	
Albert Knudsen, special police duty	20 70	
	<hr/>	\$120 83

BOUNTIES

Leon Cochran	\$5 50	
Hobart M. Adams	11 50	
George F. Shea	26 00	
Elmer W. Holt	58 50	
Lester Lamb	7 00	
	<hr/>	\$108 50

TOWN POOR

Hills. Co. Gen. Hospital	\$87 50	
Dr. Richard A. Backus, M. D.	16 00	
	<hr/>	\$103 50

COUNTY POOR

Thomas Coughlan, groceries		\$5 00
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OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Department of Public Welfare		\$289 50
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PATRIOTIC PURPOSES

Hopkins Bros. & Belcher, flags	\$15 40	
Bowes Greenhouse, plants	42 75	
	<hr/>	\$58 15

PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS

Leon Cochran, mowing triangle	\$10 00	
John C. Russell, mowing & raking common	8 00	
Hopkins Bros. & Belcher, supplies	4 45	
Perley Blanchard, burning common	9 50	
Floyd Cornwell, Christmas tree	5 00	
	<hr/>	\$36 95

STREET LIGHTING

Public Service Co.		\$845 21
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LIBRARY

Library Trustees, appropriation	\$200 00	
Special appropriation for furnace	205 00	
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SCHOOLS

School district, balance of 1946		
appropriation	\$2,380 00	
Dog tax	175 60	
School district, 1947 appropriation	6,568 00	
	<hr/>	\$9,123 60

CEMETERIES

Public Service Co.	\$16 64	
Robert Atkinson, shoveling snow	24 00	
John M. Ramsey, mowing & raking		
cemeteries	179 50	
	<hr/>	\$220 14

TOWN DUMP

Charles E. Mann, cleaning dump	\$18 00	
Robert Jackson, painting signs	7 50	
Joe Quinn, cleaning dump	70 00	
	<hr/>	\$95 50

UNCLASSIFIED

Monadnock Region, appropriation	\$57 00	
Harvey Goodwin, carpenter work on		
scales	47 00	
Annie Blanchard, taxes bought by town	6 72	
	<hr/>	\$110 72

REPAIRS ON TOWN HALL

Stephen Chase, material & labor	\$25,723 88	
Hopkins Bros. & Belcher, 1000 bags cement	925 00	
Leitch Engineering Co., town's share of heater	862 50	
Robert E. Fish, plumbing in kitchen	34 43	
		\$27,545 81
Credit Material Returned to Chase:		
Blocking	\$150 00	
6 Lally Columns	48 00	
Oak flooring	37 50	
		\$235 50
		\$27,310 31

VITAL STATISTICS

George R. Blanchard, recording	\$13 00
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STATE AID CONSTRUCTION, CLASS II.

Treasurer State of N. H.	\$861 00
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INTEREST

Souhegan National Bank	\$392 89	
Congregational Church note	35 76	
		\$428 65

PAYMENTS ON TEMPORARY LOANS

Souhegan National Bank	\$6,000 00
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PAYMENTS TO OTHER GOVERNMENTAL DIVISIONS

Treasurer State of N. H., Spec. Poll tax	\$69 00	
County Treasurer, County Tax	3,055 50	
		\$3,124 50

Money Paid Out of Truck Earnings from State:

Dean P. Russell, driving truck	\$315 50	
Hopkins Bros. & Belcher, gas & oil	84 97	
C. H. Cragin & Son, gas, oil & repairs	65 70	
Cement floor and wiring tractor shed	230 82	
N. H. Explosives & Machine Co., Inc., new plow lift and winch	116 64	
C. H. Cragin & Son, installing plow lift and winch	61 84	
Dean P. Russell, labor on plow lift & winch	24 80	
		\$900 27

SUMMARY OF PAYMENTS

Town officers' salaries	\$869 00	
Town officers' expenses	504 65	
Town hall expenses	442 92	
Election & Registration	6 25	
Police Department	120 83	
Bounties	108 50	
Fire Department	1,055 48	
Vital Statistics	13 00	
Town Maintenance of Roads (Snow)	2,990 89	
Town Maintenance of Roads (Dirt)	3,191 89	
Town Poor	103 50	
Old Age Assistance	289 50	
County Poor	5 00	
State Aid Construction, Class II.	861 00	
General Expense of Highway Dept.	859 15	
Street Lighting	845 21	
Library	405 00	
Schools	9,123 60	
Patriotic Purposes	58 15	
Parks and Playgrounds	36 95	
Cemeteries	220 14	
Town Dump	95 50	
Unclassified	110 72	
Interest	428 65	
Payments on temporary loans	6,000 00	
Payments to other gov't divisions	3,124 50	
Money paid out of truck earnings		
from state	900 27	
Repairs on Selectmen's room & engine		
hall	376 07	
Repairs on town hall	27,310 31	
	<hr/>	\$60,456 63

Respectfully submitted,

ELMER W. HOLT
HOBART M. ADAMS
GEORGE F. SHEA
Selectmen of Greenfield

REPORT OF TOWN TREASURER

Amt. on hand, Jan. 1, 1947	\$2,521 34	
Received:		
Annie Blanchard, taxes	18,664 73	
Geo. R. Blanchard, auto permits	742 63	
Geo. R. Blanchard, dog licenses	157 50	
State Treasurer:		
Savings Bank tax	158 07	
Railroad tax	254 40	
Int. and dividends tax	1,172 21	
Hedge Hog bounties	64 50	
State Highway Dept.:		
Rent of truck	923 80	
Maintenance Class V	303 20	
Gravel	43 83	
Brantwood Camp, road repairs	50 00	
Elwin G. Bailey, rebate	68 18	
Duke, Davis, Shea, Sportsmen, rent of hall	20 00	
Greenfield Grange, rent of hall	25 00	
Town of Peterborough, firemen	60 08	
Eugene Sumner, firemen	19 50	
Merrill Johnson, lumber	22 05	
Woodenware Corp., lumber	500 00	
Individuals, plowing drives	154 25	
Hopkins Bros. & Belcher, use of scales	7 70	
Sportsmen's Club, wood for fire house hall	8 00	
Wirtz & Mason, 4 Brief Histories of Greenfield	1 00	
Selectmen, sale of old furnace	1 50	
Souhegan National Bank, loans	37,310 00	
		\$63,253 49
Paid Selectmen's orders		60,456 63
Balance, Dec. 31, 1947		\$2,796 86

LUCY A. BROOKS, Treasurer

REPORT OF TAX COLLECTOR

LEVY OF 1947

Taxes Committed to Collector:

Property Taxes	\$18,797 89	
216 Polls at \$2.00	432 00	
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Total—Warrant	\$19,229 89	
Added Property Tax	6 44	
Bank Stock Tax	4 20	
Added Poll Taxes (3)	6 00	
Interest Collected on Property	1 31	
	<hr/>	\$19,247 84

Remittances to Treasurer:

Property Taxes	\$17,017 75
174 Polls at \$2.00	348 00

Abatements:

James R. Atkinson, poll paid in Bennington	2 00
Mildred Atkinson, poll paid in Bennington	2 00
Henry Flynn poll, over 70	2 00
Edward McCormack, poll over 70	2 00
Eugene C. Muzzey, poll paid in Lyndeboro	2 00
Discount allowed	194 23

Balance to Collect:

Property	1,597 86	
40 Polls at \$2.00	80 00	
	<hr/>	\$19,247 84

I hereby certify that the above statement of taxes as of December 31, 1947 is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

MRS. ANNIE BLANCHARD
Tax Collector for 1944, 1945, 1946, 1947

Balance to Collect on 1946 Levy:

Property taxes	\$1,186 66	
36 Polls at \$2.00	72 00	
Added List (1 Poll)	2 00	
Interest Collected on Polls	1 35	
Interest Collected on Property Taxes	46 22	
Costs Collected for Advertising & Selling	9 39	
	<hr/>	\$1,317 62

Remittances to Treasurer:

Property Taxes	\$1,154 66
30 Poll Taxes	60 00
Interest Collected on Polls	1 35
Interest Collected on Property	46 22
Costs for Advertising & Selling	9 39

Abatements:

Arnold Emerson, poll, Non-Res.	2 00
Henry Flynn, poll, over 70	2 00
Franklin E. Robbins, W. W. II Vet.	4 80
Arnold Emerson, exempt	11 20

Balance to Collect:

5 Polls at \$2.00	10 00	
Property	16 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,317 62

Balance to Collect on 1944 Levy:

1 Poll, Regular at \$2.00	\$2 00	
1 Poll, Special at \$3.00	3 00	
	<hr/>	\$5 00
Remittance to Treasurer		\$5 00

Balance to Collect on 1945 Levy:

Six Polls, Reg. at \$2.00	\$12 00	
Six Polls, Special at \$3.00	18 00	
Interest Collected on Polls	57	
Property Bought by Town & Redeemed	11 79	
	<hr/>	\$42 36

Remittance to Treasurer:

2 Polls, Reg. at \$2.00	\$4 00	
2 Polls, Special at \$3.00	6 00	
Interest Collected on Polls	57	
Redeemed Property	11 79	
Balance to Collect:		
4 Polls, Reg. at \$2.00	8 00	
4 Polls, Special at \$3.00	12 00	
	<hr/>	\$42 36

REPORT OF TOWN CLERK

Paid:		
Treasurer, for 70 dogs	\$156 50	
One Kennel license	20 00	
	<hr/>	\$176 50
Less Tags & Fees		\$19 00
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		\$157 50

AUTO PERMITS

January 1947	\$65 34	
February 1947	63 74	
March 1947	278 21	
April 1947	26 30	
May 1947	14 67	
June 1947	27 13	
July 1947	54 72	
August 1947	75 90	
September 1947	31 33	
October 1947	72 48	
November 1947	22 12	
December 1947	10 69	
	<hr/>	\$742 63
Received from Selectmen's orders for Permits		\$67 00

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE R. BLANCHARD
Town Clerk

REPORT OF ROAD AGENT

JANUARY 1, 1947 TO MARCH 11, 1947

DIRT ROADS MAINTENANCE

Arthur Whitcomb, Tar Patch	\$26 33
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SNOW ROADS MAINTENANCE

Elwin G. Bailey	\$168 40
Charles Mann	404 50
C. H. Cragin & Son	169 92
Guy Magoon	91 70
Dean Russell	303 64
Walter Creighton, Jr.	3 40
Chester Russell	126 75

Ralph Russell	91 81	
Charles Lauder	49 00	
Robert Thomas, Jr.	2 80	
Leon Cochran	93 45	
Maurice Babine	9 45	
Cody Chemical Co.	48 00	
Hopkins Bros. & Belcher	23 81	
R. R. Express Agency	1 43	
	<hr/>	\$1,588 06
Received from Selectmen		\$1,688 06
Dirt Roads Maintenance	\$26 33	
Snow Roads Maintenance	1,588 06	
Bank Charges	5 49	
Returned to Town Treasurer	68 18	
	<hr/>	\$1,688 06

Respectfully submitted,

ELWIN GEORGE BAILEY, Agent

MARCH 11, 1947—DEC. 31, 1947

SNOW ROADS MAINTENANCE

Dean Russell	\$227 25	
Elwin G. Bailey	31 00	
Charles Mann	204 78	
Leon Cochran	149 85	
Chester Russell	77 63	
Roger Magoon	4 00	
Edward Lowe	31 00	
Guy Magoon	41 60	
Ralph Russell	15 60	
Robert McQuade	22 10	
Hopkins Bros. & Belcher	23 47	
C. H. Cragin & Son	227 83	
Packard, Inc.	13 32	
Southwestern Transportation Co.	1 33	
N. H. Welding Supply Co.	60 18	
Transcript Printing Co.	1 00	
Henry W. Parker Co.	40 80	
Monadnock Sales & Service	3 09	
R. C. Hazelton Co., Inc.	55 50	
Silver Bros. Co., Inc.	45 00	
R. R. Express Agency	4 05	
Bank Charges	65	
	<hr/>	\$1,281 03

DIRT ROADS MAINTENANCE

Dean Russell	\$944 50	
Leon Cochran	697 45	
Charles Lauder	8 00	
Thomas Coughlan	2 83	
Elwin Bailey	16 65	
Charles Mann	21 50	
Curtis Rowe	85 50	
Hopkins Bros. & Belcher	239 88	
Harold Cochran	119 20	
J. I. Holcomb Co.	7 95	
Roger Magoon	14 40	
Chester Russell	53 25	
Ray Road Equipment Co.	98 22	
Hume Pipe Co. of N. E., Inc.	64 68	
C. H. Cragin & Son	112 62	
N. E. Explosive Corp.	40 25	
Mrs. Frank Shea	3 40	
Transcript Printing Co.	5 00	
Roy Goodwin	38 40	
Wilton Lumber Co.	82 08	
Packard, Inc.	8 50	
Bank Charges	1 30	
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		\$2,665 56
Advanced by Selectmen		\$500 00
Received from Selectmen by Orders		3,946 59
Snow Roads Maintenance	\$1,281 03	
Dirt Roads Maintenance	2,665 56	
Balance on hand, Dec. 31, 1947	500 00	
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		\$4,446 59

DEAN P. RUSSELL, Agent

REPORT OF OVERSEER OF POOR

Paid:

County Hospital for Roy Hogaboom	\$57 50	
Doctor's Bill for Roy Hogaboom	16 00	
County Farm, board and care for Roy Hogaboom	30 00	
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		\$103 50

COUNTY POOR

Paid:

T. Coughlan, groceries for Kenneth Merrill	\$5 00
Dept. Public Welfare, Old Age As.	289 50
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	\$398 00

BLANCHE L. GAGE, Overseer

REPORT OF STEPHENSON MEMORIAL LIBRARY

RECEIPTS

Amount on hand, Jan. 1, 1947	\$335 88	
Fines	18 00	
Butler Fund and Interest	25 00	
Ramsey Fund	13 92	
Gipson Fund	201 00	
Appropriation	200 00	
Money for furnace	205 00	
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		\$999 10

EXPENDITURES

Books	\$86 61	
Lights	14 16	
Librarian	100 00	
Care of Property	31 50	
Magazines	29 00	
Fuel	58 87	
Insurance	27 18	
Furnaces	517 00	
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		\$864 32
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		\$134 78

Respectfully submitted,

EDYTHE H. ATHERTON
MARJORIE K. JOHNSON
JARVIS M. ADAMS

REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

of money received and expended for year ending
December 31, 1947

RECEIPTS

Unexpended balances in Banks, Dec. 31, 1947		\$1,317 15
Cash on hand, Jan. 1, 1947	\$130 16	
Received, Interest 1947	442 51	
Received, Interest 1947 Unexpended		152 09
Borrowed Hardy Income Acct.	100 00	
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	\$672 67	

PAID OUT

Library Trustees	\$239 92	
Repaid John D. Hardy Account	100 00	
L. M. Bowes (Flowers)	18 00	
First National Bank, (Safety Deposit Rent, 2 years)	7 20	
Repairs, Water System	3 00	
Labor, Care of Cemetery	191 84	
Cash on hand, Dec. 31, 1947	112 71	
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	\$672 67	
Unexpended Balances in Banks, Dec. 31, 1947		\$1,469 24

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD W. HOPKINS
HOBART M. ADAMS
FRANK S. GAGE

Report of the Trust Funds of the Town of Greenfield, N. H., on December 31, 1947

Date of Creation	TRUST FUNDS	HOW INVESTED	Amount of Principal	Rate of Interest	Balance of Income on hand at Beginning of Year	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Balance of Income on Hand at End of Year
1892	Selinda Holt Cemetery Fund	Peterborough Savings Bank	\$100 00	2½	\$44 54	\$3 65		\$48 19
1901	Mary D. French Cemetery Fund	Peterborough Savings Bank	200 00	2½	89 79	7 31		97 10
1906	Jacob Gould Cemetery Fund	Peterborough Savings Bank	100 00	2½	5 57	2 66		8 23
	Albe Stephenson Cemetery Fund	Peterborough Savings Bank	400 00	2½	311 03	18 00	\$18 00	311 03
1910	Moses Robertson Cemetery Fund	Peterborough Savings Bank	100 00	2½	6 25	2 68		8 93
	Mary C. Emerson Cemetery Fund	Peterborough Savings Bank	120 00	2½	8 61	3 25	3 25	8 61
1914	John Gage Cemetery Fund	Peterborough Savings Bank	50 00	2½	4 13	1 37		5 50
	John D. Hardy Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	1,192 26	2	355 36	31 10	31 10	355 36
	John D. Hardy Income Account Cemetery Fund	Peterborough Savings Bank	122 74	2½	7 95	2 44		10 39
	Henry Holt Cemetery Fund	Peterborough Savings Bank	50 00	2½	2 07	1 31		3 38
1916	A. A. Ramsey Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	200 00	2	60 76	5 23		65 99
1917	Elvira Ramsey Cemetery Fund	Peterborough Savings Bank	100 00	2½	5 81	2 67		8 48
	Elvira Ramsey Library Fund	Peterborough Savings Bank	500 00	2½		12 66	12 66	
1920	David Rogers Cemetery Fund	Peterborough Savings Bank	100 00	2½	5 86	2 67	2 67	5 86
1922	Joanna Simmonds Cemetery Fund	Peterborough Savings Bank	100 00	2½				
	Harriet Farwell Cemetery Fund	Peterborough Savings Bank	100 00	2½	5 31	2 65		7 96
1925	George S. Peavey Cemetery Fund	Peterborough Savings Bank	50 00	2½	3 09	1 33		4 42
	Lona F. Gould Cemetery Fund	Peterborough Savings Bank	100 00	2½	3 79	2 62	2 62	3 79
1926	Mrs. Edwin Jaquith Cemetery Fund	Peterborough Savings Bank	100 00	2½	6 87	2 70	2 70	6 87
	Fay Lewis Cemetery Fund	Peterborough Savings Bank	50 00	2½	3 35	1 35		4 70
	Butler Library Fund	Peterborough Savings Bank	100 00	2½	3 73	2 61	2 61	3 73
	Butler Library Fund	Peterborough Savings Bank	50 00	2½		1 26	1 26	
	U. S. Gov't Bond Series G-M-44-346		1,000 00	2½		25 00	25 00	
1928	Adeline S. Peavey Cemetery Fund	Peterborough Savings Bank	200 00	2½	7 61	5 25	5 25	7 61
	Charles E. Hopkins Cemetery Fund	Peterborough Savings Bank	100 00	2½	3 35	2 60	2 60	3 35

1929	George O. Joslin Cemetery Fund	Peterborough Savings Bank	100 00	2 1/2	3 33	2 60	2 60	3 33
1930	Sarah Peavey Cemetery Fund	Peterborough Savings Bank	100 00	2 1/2	5 53	2 65	2 65	8 18
1931	John H. Day Cemetery Fund	Peterborough Savings Bank	60 00	2 1/2	3 42	1 60	1 60	3 42
1932	John May Cemetery Fund	Peterborough Savings Bank	100 00	2 1/2	4 47	2 63	2 63	7 10
	David Starret Cemetery Fund	Peterborough Savings Bank	100 00	2 1/2	4 02	2 65	2 65	4 02
	William Whittemore Cemetery Fund	Peterborough Savings Bank	3,011 00	2 1/2	74 19	78 59	79 59	73 19
1935	Nina Russell Cemetery Fund	Peterborough Savings Bank	100 00	2 1/2	3 38	2 60	2 60	3 38
1937	Emma Gipson, Old Whittemore Cemetery Fund	Peterborough Savings Bank	300 00	2 1/2	5 10	7 71		12 81
	Emma Gipson Cemetery Maintenance Fund	N. H. Savings Bank	5,000 00	2	206 04	105 12		311 16
1938	Emma Gipson Library Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	10,000 00	2	201 00	201 00		
	Bertha Dodge Cemetery Fund	Peterborough Savings Bank	50 00	2 1/2	1 78	1 30	1 30	1 78
1939	General Fund	Peterborough Savings Bank	48 00	2 1/2	6 42	1 37	3 65	4 14
1939	Emerson Young Cemetery Fund	Peterborough Savings Bank	150 00	2 1/2	8 87	4 00	4 00	8 87
1941	Charles E. Blanchard Cemetery Fund	Peterborough Savings Bank	100 00	2 1/2	2 48	2 58	2 58	2 48
	Elnathan Hodgman Cemetery Fund	Peterborough Savings Bank	100 00	2 1/2	2 94	2 59	2 59	2 94
	C. M. Magoon Cemetery Fund	Peterborough Savings Bank	200 00	2 1/2	10 18	5 31	5 31	10 18
	Carrie E. Gould Cemetery Fund	Peterborough Savings Bank	200 00	2 1/2	10 18	5 31	5 31	10 18
	Fred B. Atherton Cemetery Fund	Peterborough Savings Bank	200 00	2 1/2	5 38	5 18	5 18	5 38
	Mabel F. Hirtz Cemetery Fund	Peterborough Savings Bank	100 00	2 1/2	2 48	2 58	2 58	2 48
1942	Franklin Fletcher Cemetery Fund	Peterborough Savings Bank	100 00	2 1/2	1 63	2 56	2 56	1 63
1944	Ned C. Pollard Cemetery Fund	Peterborough Savings Bank	100 00	2 1/2	2 75	2 58	2 58	2 75
	Etna J. Fletcher Cemetery Fund	Peterborough Savings Bank	100 00	2 1/2	4 00	2 61	2 61	6 61
1945	Eugene Muzzey Cemetery Fund	Peterborough Savings Bank	100 00	2 1/2	2 08	2 57	2 57	2 08
	John H. Reynolds Cemetery Fund	Peterborough Savings Bank	100 00	2 1/2	1 67	2 54	2 54	1 67

CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the information contained in this report is complete and correct, to the best of our knowledge and belief.
Date Jan. 10, 1948

DONALD W. HOPKINS
HOBART M. ADAMS
FRANK S. GAGE Trustees

AUDITORS' REPORT

This is to certify that we have examined the accounts of the following officers: Selectmen, Town Clerk, Town Treasurer, Overseer of the Poor, Fire Wardens, Cemetery Trustees, Trustees of Trust Funds, Library Trustees, Road Agent, Tax Collector for the year ending December 31, 1947 and find them correct and properly vouched.

ANGIE H. RUSSELL
EMMA H. HOPKINS
Auditors

FOREST FIRE PROBLEM SERIOUS

The year 1947 was one of the worst periods of drouth and forest fire occurrence in eastern United States history. Lack of water ruined crops, lowered water levels and dried up brooks everywhere. Three months of deficient rainfall and abnormally high temperatures resulted in many fires which were mostly well controlled and kept within bounds. Only the high winds beginning on October 23rd caused a few fires to escape beyond immediate control. These few fires resulted in burning some 15,000 acres and the loss of 63 or more buildings in four New Hampshire towns.

All October fires were costly. They burned deeply in the ground and required day and night patrol of large crews of men until the rains came late in October. Towns which escaped from serious fires might easily have been in the midst of the most serious conflagrations we had.

Governor Dale closed the woods effective at midnight of October 15th. With the blow-up of October 23rd, a second proclamation closed all back roads and authorized towns to inaugurate patrol. The effect of this was to cut down subsequent fires for the rest of the dry period.

Local fire warden forces performed an admirable job to hold the more than 200 fires that occurred during this October period. Many men were taxed to the utmost as the emergency continued. To them and all those who did their work, the people of New Hampshire owe a debt of gratitude. The state forest fire control agency, based on local town wardens and town crews wherever adequately equipped, rose to the occasion and met the test in whatever town their services were needed.

It is now time to take stock everywhere of our fire fighting facilities for the season ahead and to make them adequate where necessary. To this end town fire plans and training

programs for wardens, deputies and other key men in each district are being arranged or in progress. If equipment and tools are insufficient properly to equip the available manpower in each community with the right tools for the job, they should be provided for at once. The yearly addition of fire tools to the town supply will generally need to be built up. The state sells tools to the towns and shares one-half their cost. Good equipment is important and can help greatly to keep both damage and fire costs at a minimum.

For many years we have requested our wardens not to issue burning permits except on rainy days. This regulation will be in effect again this year as it is one of the best means of assuring such fires from getting out of control. Nine out of every ten fires can be prevented, 98 per cent of all fires being due to human carelessness. Be sure to get a permit for any fire in or near woodland when the ground is free from snow. Be sure your fires are always out before you leave them. Help us in getting the travelling public to keep from throwing out lighted matches or cigarettes. Be careful of all fires in or near woodland.

CHARLES F. YOUNG, District Chief

PERLEY N. BLANCHARD, Forest Fire Warden

1947 Fire Record:

Number of Fires	1
Acreage Burned	3

SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICERS

	Term Expires
Moderator, Mrs. Annie Blanchard	March, 1948
Clerk, Mrs. Edythe Atherton	March, 1948
Treasurer, Mrs. Lucy A. Brooks	June, 1948

SCHOOL BOARD

Mr. John G. Tracy, Chairman	March, 1948
Mrs. Elizabeth Hopkins	March, 1949
Mr. William S. Koegel	March, 1950

TEACHERS FOR 1947-48

Primary: Mrs. Florence S. Adams
Music: Mrs. Constance B. Whitcomb

SCHOOL CALENDAR

1947-1948: January 5 to February 20	7 weeks
March 1 to April 16	7 weeks
April 26 to June 11	7 weeks
Holidays: Nov. 11 and May 31	
1948-1949: September 8 to November 23	12 weeks
November 29 to December 23	4 weeks
January 3 to February 18	7 weeks
February 28 to April 22	8 weeks
May 2 to June 17	7 weeks
Holidays: Nov. 11 and May 30	

SCHOOL WARRANT

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

TO THE INHABITANTS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT IN THE TOWN
OF GREENFIELD QUALIFIED TO VOTE IN DISTRICT AFFAIRS:

You are hereby notified to meet at the town hall in said district on the 9th day of March 1948, at two o'clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the coming year.
2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.
4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
5. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and Truant Officer, and fix the compensation of any other officers or agent of the district.
6. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or Officers chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.
7. To choose Agents, Auditors and Committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.
8. To see if the district will vote to make any alteration in the amount of money required to be assessed for the ensuing year for the support of public schools and the payment of the statutory obligations of the district, as determined by the school board in its annual report.

9. To see if the district will vote to authorize the School Board to issue serial notes on the credit of the district in the amount of \$2500, to be paid up \$500 each year, with interest, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 72 of the Revised Laws, known as the Municipal Bonds Statute, for the purpose of paying outstanding bills on remodelling the school house.

Given under our hands at said Greenfield this second day of February, 1948.

JOHN G. TRACY
ELIZABETH W. HOPKINS
WILLIAM S. KOEGEL, School Board

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

JOHN G. TRACY
ELIZABETH W. HOPKINS
WILLIAM S. KOEGEL, School Board

SCHOOL BOARD'S ESTIMATE FOR 1948-1949

School Board's statement of amounts required to support public schools and meet other statutory obligations of the district for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1948.

DETAILED STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES

Support of Schools:	
Teachers' salaries	\$2,200 00
Textbooks	175 00
Scholars' supplies	175 00
Flags and Appurtenances	175 00
Other expenses of instruction	20 00
Janitor's Service	360 00
Fuel	350 00
Water, Light, Janitor's Supplies	100 00
Minor Repairs	100 00
Health supervision	115 00
Transportation of pupils	1,800 00
Other special activities	15 00
Elementary tuition	1,350 00

Other Statutory Requirements:	
Salaries of District Officers	
(Fixed by district)	94 00
Superintendent's excess salary	175 00
Per capita tax	108 00
Payment of district debt	858 00
Interest on district debt	145 00
Expenses of Administration	150 00
New Equipment	22 00
Fixed charges	125 00

Total amount required to meet	
School Board's Budget	\$10,347 00

ESTIMATED INCOME OF DISTRICT

State Aid	\$678 00	
Dog Tax	150 00	
		\$828 00
		\$9,419 00

JOHN G. TRACY, Chairman
MRS. CHARLES HOPKINS
WILLIAM S. KOEGEL
School Board

REPORT OF SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT

TO THE SCHOOL BOARD AND CITIZENS OF GREENFIELD:

I respectfully submit my first annual report as your Superintendent of Schools.

ADVANCES IN EDUCATION IN NEW HAMPSHIRE

No single event in the history of education in the State of New Hampshire has had such influence on the educational picture of our state as the State Aid Law passed by our Legislature in the late spring of 1947. This legislation, prompted by the investigation of the Interim Commission established in 1945 to study the educational needs of New Hampshire, and the untiring efforts of our Commissioner of Education, and the many loyal supporters of public education, increased state financial aid to local school districts approximately 400%.

The purpose of the bill was to equalize educational opportunities and to improve public elementary and high schools in New Hampshire by making funds available to those school districts in the state that were operating on meager budgets and were unable to offer the education they desired. It was interesting to note, that during the special school district meetings held in July 1947, over 90% of state aid funds was voted by the towns to be used for educational purposes. No portion of state aid funds for the school year 1947-48 could be used for payment of interest, debt or other capital expenditures.

To review the manner in which the state aid law functions, the following is presented.

State aid is based on the exact average daily membership of each public school in New Hampshire, or each approved school, in New Hampshire, or in an adjoining state, with all pupils credited to their district of residence for the payment of state aid. Under the law, aid can be given to districts only for pupils for whose education the district is legally responsible.

The state aid law apportions the aid in two categories, equalization and general aid. In applying the equalization formula, a required program is set up allowing \$1800 for each approved one-room school with at least six grades, \$75 for all other elementary pupils, and \$100 for each high school student. Under the provisions of the act, the local school district's share in the program is six-tenths of one per cent of its equalized valuation, which is subtracted from the total formula program share, with the remainder paid by the state as equalization aid. After the requirements of the equalization have been met, and one per cent set aside for emergencies, the remainder of the fund is prorated on the basis of average daily membership, on a ratio of three to four for elementary and high school respectively. For the purposes of general aid, the average daily

membership of the one-room schools is added to the average daily membership of the other elementary pupils. A summary of the computation for the school district of Greenfield is as follows:

I Equalization Aid:

One-room schools approved	1 x	\$1800	\$1,800 00
Other elementary pupils	20 x	75	1,500 00
Secondary students	9 x	100	900 00

\$4,200 00

Equalized Valuation (1947) \$711,662

Less \$6.00 Tax on Equalized Valuation

\$4,269 97

Total Equalization Aid

II General Aid:

Elementary pupils	46 x	\$12 33	\$567 18
Secondary students	9 x	16 44	147 96
Total Aid—Available Dec. 1, 1947			\$715 14

The amount of state aid available to the school districts will vary from year to year as the state enrollment of public school children increases or decreases.

The Cooperative School District Act passed by the State Legislature in the spring of 1947 makes it possible for local school districts, through local initiative, to join together to establish more effective school units. While this act does not have the immediate impact on New Hampshire education that the State Aid Law had, nevertheless, it will perhaps be instrumental in changing the whole supervisory district organization in the years to come.

There are many advantages to the Cooperative School idea. A few of them are as follows. Larger districts make available greater funds with which to provide better buildings, instruction, materials of instruction and more varied programs. A cooperative school does not necessarily mean that education will be cheaper but that more services can be obtained for the dollar spent, consequently, a cooperative school is more economical.

A cooperative school district poses many problems, the greatest being that of transportation. This problem, in most cases, can be solved by district owned and operated buses. North Carolina has been exceedingly successful in this respect. The town of Newport, N. H., has embarked upon a program of locally owned and operated buses and it is estimated that their total cost of operation will be approximately 25¢ per mile. In Supervisory Union No. 63 it is approximately 40¢ per mile.

Studies are being made in both the Wilton-Milford area and the Antrim-Bennington, Frankestown area on the Cooperative School District idea. However, these studies are not far enough advanced to report upon at this time.

By an act of the State Board of Education on June 30, 1947 a program of minimum standards for teachers' salaries was approved. This action set the minimum of teachers' salaries in the State of New Hampshire at \$1,700, this minimum increasing to \$2,000, dependent upon the preparation and experience of the teacher.

The salary situation in New Hampshire has long needed improvement. In 1946-47 four towns were paying elementary teachers less than \$1,200. \$1,400 to \$1,500 was the minimum salary in thirty-two towns. Nine towns were paying from \$1,600 to \$1,800. The five towns in this group in our Union were paying from \$1,200 to \$1,650. A similar salary survey made in 1947-48 shows that no teacher in the state is getting less than \$1,700 with the median about \$1,850. This is true of the five towns mentioned in our Union.

However, even with this revision of salaries upward, our better teachers are being drained off to neighboring states or going into other employment.

SHORTAGE OF TEACHERS

The teacher shortage is still serious, particularly at the elementary level. However, there is a slight improvement over 1946-47.

For the nation as a whole it is probable that enrollments in "teacher-education" programs now approximate pre-war enrollments. However, many of these undergraduates will not be available for employment for two to three years. Unfortunately, also, the enrollments by states is not geared to the shortages. Relatively wealthy states, where salaries are high and the teacher shortage small, have higher teacher-education enrollments. It appears too, that enrollments are piling up in courses leading to regular secondary school certification when the greatest immediate demand is in elementary schools.

The State of New Hampshire needs approximately 150 new elementary teachers every year. This year there will be graduated from Keene Teachers College and Plymouth Teachers College approximately 30. In the fall of 1947 at Keene Teachers College 45 elected the elementary program and at Plymouth there were 20. Consequently, four years from now we will have 65 teachers available to take 150 or more teaching positions. To alleviate this situation, we have approximately 350 elementary teachers still working on war emergency permits.

The situation is not too encouraging.

SCHOOL COSTS

There does not appear to be any immediate relief in the cost of living today. Such increased costs are reflected in the school budgets of 1948-49. All school costs have risen but the

most noticeable increase has been in the area of textbooks, scholars' supplies, teachers' salaries and tuition costs.

A survey recently completed by two supply houses indicates that since the fall of 1946 scholars' supplies have increased from 10% to 40%, textbooks from 20% to 30%, teachers' salaries approximately 6%.

These increased costs have necessitated school boards to raise their tuition price. The state average for secondary school instruction for the year 1946-47 was \$138.89 per pupil. Most school districts are raising their tuition to \$135.00. This will not inflict a hardship on school districts with whom they have contracts and will more equally distribute the costs of instruction.

SCHOOL REMODELLING

This report would be inadequate without a resume of the alterations that have taken place in our school.

(a) The boys' and girls' basements have been moved upstairs and placed on either side of the entrance. This change has aided the supervision of these areas and has offered our children pleasant, sanitary lavatories.

(b) A new oil, steam heating plant has been installed, replacing the old, outmoded, inefficient hot air system, giving the children constant, clean heat. The teacher is better able to adjust the heat to the needs of the room.

(c) The interior of the classroom has been attractively painted and bulletin boards, which are deemed a necessity in modern education, have been added.

(d) New Fluorescent lighting has been installed, replacing the old, inadequate lighting that had outlived its usefulness.

(e) Slate blackboard has replaced the old composition blackboard thus relieving eye strain on the part of the pupils.

(f) A fire exit has been installed in the front of the room, thereby making available alternate exits from the classroom and eliminating the bottleneck that originally existed.

(g) Attractive book cases have been constructed in the teacher's corner of the room making available to the children adequate library facilities.

(h) The adjoining room has been finished off, but not painted and is, for the time being, used as a lunch and music room.

You are to be congratulated for your interest in your school and school children. You have offered your children a warm, comfortable, attractive and sanitary building, a building in

which any child would take pride. The morale of the school children reflects this interest and also the excellent work that is being done by Mrs. Adams and Mrs. Whitcomb.

BUDGET

The budget presented for 1948-49 calls for an assessment of \$9,419, an increase of \$2,851. The major increases are in the following items: Elementary tuition \$210; High School tuition \$1,015. These increases are due to a greater number of elementary pupils going to Bennington and a greater number of Greenfield pupils attending high school, plus the increased tuition rates as explained in one of the foregoing paragraphs. There is an increase of \$1,003 to take care of district indebtedness occasioned by the remodelling of the school building; an increase of \$150 in fuel due to the higher price of oil; an increase of \$150 in teachers' salaries which we believe is necessary in view of existing conditions; an increase of \$35 for health supervision due to the increased enrollment in the elementary school; an increase of \$110 in transportation which is essential to continue our present routes and take care of any additions that may arise during the year. The remaining \$290 is absorbed by the increased costs of textbooks, scholars' supplies and administration, which reflects the period in which we live.

The above budget has been prepared on the basis of continuing to operate grades one through four in Greenfield and to send grades five through eight to Bennington. With the present teacher shortage it is far better to continue sending the upper grades to Bennington than to attempt to obtain adequate instruction by employing an inferior teacher. The situation remains the same as last year when a similar recommendation was made.

This year it costs the Greenfield School District \$1,350 to educate grades five through eight in Bennington, plus transportation.

If grades 5-8 were returned to Greenfield the costs would be approximately as follows: Salaries would jump to approximately \$5,000 since it would cost between \$2,200 and \$2,400 to employ a teacher for grades five through eight and it would be necessary to raise our present teachers at least to a salary comparable to that of the incoming teacher. This would mean an addition of \$2,800 to our present budget; another room would have to be refurnished and this would cost approximately \$400, additional scholars' supplies would cost \$325; janitor service charges would undoubtedly double as there would be at least twice as much work to do. This would mean an additional \$360. Transportation would remain about the same, inasmuch as many of the children transported to Bennington would be transported to the Greenfield school.

Thus to operate a two-room school building, the first year's increased cost over the present budget would be approximately \$4,285. After the first year it would probably level off to approximately \$3,800. This figure is to be compared with our present tuition cost to Bennington of \$1,350.

With the foregoing information in mind it does not seem wise to make a change this year.

Respectfully submitted,

NEWELL J. PAIRE, Supt.

STATISTICS FOR SCHOOL YEAR ENDING June 30, 1947

ENROLLMENT BY GRADES

Grades	1	2	3	4	Total
Primary	12	6	5	2	25
Attending elementary schools in Bennington					19
Attending High school in Peterborough					7

ATTENDANCE

School	Average Membership	Average Attendance	Percent of Attendance	Tardinesses Total	Per Pupil
Primary	25.89	24.75	95.60	9	.36
Visits:					
By School Board members					5
By Superintendent					27
By Citizens					109

ROLL OF PERFECT ATTENDANCE

Two Consecutive Years: Joyce Russell.

One Year: Bruce Russell, Francis Russell, Rosalind Russell and Katherine Shea.

STATISTICS FOR FIRST EIGHTEEN WEEKS 1947-1948

Census: (Ages 5-16) Boys 43; Girls 28	Total 71
Attending Greenfield Schools	35
Attending Bennington Schools	17
Attending Peterborough High School	7
Attending Peterborough Elementary School	2
Attending Wilton High School	1
Attending Springfield, Vermont School	1
Attending Northfield School	3

ENROLLMENT BY GRADES

School	1	2	3	4	Total
Primary	10	13	6	6	35

ATTENDANCE

School	Average Membership	Average Attendance	Percent of Attendance	Tardinesses
Primary	32.8	31.48	95.9	3

ANNUAL REPORT OF DISTRICT TREASURER

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1947
OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF GREENFIELD

SUMMARY

Cash on hand, June 30, 1946		\$535 83
Received from selectmen, appropriations for current year	\$6,380 00	
Dog tax	175 60	
Received from all other sources	30 06	
		<u>\$6,585 66</u>
Total amount available for fiscal year		\$7,121 49
Less School Board orders paid		<u>6,921 09</u>
Balance on hand as of June 30, 1947		\$200 40

LUCY A. BROOKS, District Treasurer

AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that we have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the treasurer of the school district of Greenfield, of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1947 and find them correct in all respects.

ANGIE H. RUSSELL
EMMA H. HOPKINS

Auditors

July 8, 1947

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE GREENFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT

Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1947

SUMMARY

Salaries of district officers	\$94 00	
Superintendent's excess salary	158 48	
Truant officer and census	10 00	
Expenses of administration	107 64	
Teachers' salaries	1,850 00	
Textbooks	133 11	
Scholars' supplies	139 04	
Other expenses of instruction	28 24	
Janitors' salaries	259 00	
Fuel	160 00	
Water, light, janitors' supplies	97 27	
Repairs	101 60	
Health supervision	79 93	
Transportation	1,690 00	
Tuition—Elementary and Secondary	1,622 00	
Insurance	93 79	
Teacher Retirement	94 00	
Improvements to buildings	192 00	
New Equipment	10 99	
		\$6,921 09
Total cash on hand July 1, 1947		\$200 40
		<hr/> \$7,121 49

JOHN G. TRACY
ELIZABETH W. HOPKINS
WILLIAM S. KOEGEL
School Board

REPORT OF SCHOOL NURSE

JANUARY 2, 1947 TO DECEMBER 31, 1947

Number of visits to schools	23
Home visits	10
Health examinations	31
Vision tests	34
Hearing tests by audiometer February 13, Grade 3-4	15
Heights and weights	34

Defects:

Defective teeth (temporary and permanent)	15
Enlarged tonsils	11
Defective vision	1
Eye strain	1
Defective speech	2
Defective speech, questionable	2
10% underweight	1
20% overweight	2

Corrections:

Dental	1
Dental (at Francestown clinic)	1
Skin conditions	2
Pediculosis and nits	2
Eyes examined and glasses fitted	1

Miscellaneous:

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A physical growth chart has been made out for the classroom.

Parents of new students have been asked to fill out a disease census card.

Notices of defects have been sent to parents whose children had defects.

A health card is on file for each child.

First-Aid cabinet supplies have been checked.

Cod Liver Oil has been provided for all students by the Greenfield Women's Club.

I wish to thank all organizations for their help and to express my appreciation to the teachers, parents, Superintendent of Schools and Board of Education for their cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

OLA MYHAVER, R. N.
School Nurse

VITAL STATISTICS

Births Registered in the Town of Greenfield, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1947

Date of Birth	Name of Child	Sex	Liv or Sp	No. Child	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	Residence of Parents	Occupation of Father	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother
1947										
Mar. 15	Beverly Virginia	F	L	1	Robert D. Atkinson	Priscilla E. Russell	Greenfield	Grain Mixer	Amherst	Greenfield
April 9	*Allen	M	L	2	Leon C. Young	Dorothy Holt	Greenfield	Farmer	Nashua	So. Lyndeboro
April 23	Sharon Florence	F	L	5	Charles M. Lander	Florence D. Kennedy	Greenfield	Carpenter	Malden, Mass.	Easton, Maine
June 21	Nancy Lee	F	L	2	Charles T. Oliver	Florence M. Cutter	Greenfield	Machinist	Wilmington, Del.	Peterborough
July 16	Peter	M	L	1	Frank Diebold, Jr.	Julie C. Kalenich	Greenfield	Student	W Roxbury, Mass.	Morgantown, W. Va.
Sept. 7	Norman Joseph	M	L	5	Joseph A. Belmore	Clare M. Waldecker	Greenfield	Poultryman	Greenfield	Roseton, N. Y.
Sept. 21	Lawrence	M	L	1	Kleanthus Kasirinas	Dorothy M. Goodwin	Greenfield	Grain mill	Merimack	Greenfield
Nov. 4	Shelley	F	L	2	Thomas C. Condon	Gertrude Campbell	Greenfield	Manufacturer	Passadena, Cal.	Shanghai, China
Nov. 14	Wayne Arnold	M	L	2	Floyd A. Cornwell	Elsie M. Quinn	Greenfield	Contract farming	Richmond	Temple

*Born in Nashua

Marriages Registered in the Town of Greenfield, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1947

Place & Date of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Residence of Each at time of Marriage	Age	Occupation	Place of Birth of Each	Names of Parents	Birthplace of Parents	Name and Residence of Person by Whom Married
1947								
May 30	Donald R. Jowders	Wilton	24	Bridge Painter	Wilton	Charles W. Jowders Edith M. Styles	Salem, Mass. Fracestown	Walter F. Whitney Minister Greenfield
June 1	Pauline E. MacCormack	Greenfield	18	At Home	Greenfield	Donald MacCormack Margery Russell	Edinburgh, N. S. Greenfield	Walter F. Whitney Minister Greenfield
June 28	George A. Reynolds	Greenfield	74	Retired	Greenfield	John H. Reynolds Cynthia E. Gould	Greenfield Jefferson, N. Y.	
June 28	Anna M. Olmstead	Greenfield	58	At Home	Sharon Sygs., N.Y.	John B. Olmstead Alice Simmons	Richmondville, N. Y.	
June 28	Edson M. Skinner	Greenfield	24	Laborer	Greenfield	Elmer C. Skinner Anna Franch	Nashua, Mass. Lyndeboro	Vernon L. Phillips Clergyman Fracestown
July 17	Lydia M. Murdo	Fracestown	18	At Home	Fracestown	Charles H. Murdo Gerrude M. Bailey	Fracestown Sweden	George R. Blanchard Justice of the Peace Greenfield
July 17	Raymond A. Johnson	Worcester, Mass.	21	Laborer	Worcester, Mass.	Lawrence C. Johnson Mary E. Farnetier	Worcester, Mass. Franklin, Mass.	
Aug. 9	Lorraine D. Boucher	Worcester, Mass.	18	Stitcher	Worcester, Mass.	Nelson J. Boucher Anna Garrigay	Woonsocket, R. I. Greenfield	
Aug. 9	Chester H. Holt	Greenfield	41	Carpenter	Greenfield	Minnie L. White Hezikiah Wamboldt	Gardner, Mass. Halifax, N. S.	Walter F. Whitney Minister Greenfield
Sept. 6	Matilda P. Selig	Peterborough	47	Clerical Work	Halifax, N. S.	Margaret D. Bush Joseph Day	La Have Isd., N. S. Canada	John A. McSweeney Catholic Priest Jaffrey
Sept. 6	Roland J. Day	Jaffrey	29	Printer	Jaffrey	Amelia Robichaud Gustave Schmidt	Jaffrey Clinton, Mass.	
Nov. 15	Freida C. Schmidt	Greenfield	19	At Home	Peterborough	Alice M. Draper Irving S. Fitz	Lowell, Mass. Everett, Mass.	Earl A. Mack Clergyman Milford
Nov. 15	Robert G. Fitz	Milford	21	Student	E. Milton, Mass.	Muriel Malone George Reynolds	Quincy, Mass. Lyndeboro	
Nov. 15	Eleanor L. Reynolds	Milford	18	Clerical work	Peterborough	Dorothy Richards		

Deaths Registered in the Town of Greenfield, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1947

Date	Name and Surname of Deceased	Years	Months	Days	Place of Birth	Sex	M or W	Occupation	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
1947												
Jan. 24	Walter M. Wood	86	10	1	Westford, Mass.	M	W	Retired	Shirley, Mass. Ireland	Lowell, Mass. Ireland	George W. Wood	Susan Melvin
Dec. 31	John B. Ryan	72	4	11	Swampscott, Mass.	M	W	Retired			Michael Ryan	Ellen Collins
Bodies Brought to Town for Burial												
Jan. 26	Ella H. Whiting	82				F						
Jan. 28	Eliza Sawyer	93				F						
Mar. 6	Fred Holt	75	9	14		M						
Aug. 4	Mary F. Hopkins	74	10	15	W. Hopkinton	F	W	Housewife	Royalston, Vt.	New Boston	Henry E. Wheeler	Levina Goodwin
Sept. 6	Fred A. Smith	79	8	11	Francetown	M	M	Lumberman	Corinth, Vt.	Corinth, Vt.	Andrew Smith	Amanda Bowen
Oct. 11	Ella Mann	84	3	20	Not known	F	W	Housewife	Unknown	Francetown	Soloman Draper	Martha Towne
Oct. 13	Addie F. Heald	85	11	14	Cambridge, Mass.	F	W	At Home	Deering	Francetown	Joseph Aiken	Adeline Hopkins



